## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

VALENTINA VERNARDA LAYTON, : CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:16-CV-2437

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Plaintiff : (Chief Judge Conner)

:

**v.** 

:

NANCY A. BERRYHILL, Acting Commissioner of Social Security,

:

**Defendant** 

## **ORDER**

AND NOW, this 8th day of February, 2018, upon consideration of the report (Doc. 12) of Magistrate Judge Martin C. Carlson, recommending that the court deny the appeal of plaintiff Valentina Vernarda Layton ("Layton") from the decision of the administrative law judge denying her application for disability insurance benefits and supplemental security income, and it appearing that Layton did not object to the report, see FED. R. CIV. P. 72(b)(2), and the court observing that failure of a party to timely object to a magistrate judge's conclusions "may result in forfeiture of de novo review at the district court level," Nara v. Frank, 488 F.3d 187, 194 (3d Cir. 2007) (citing Henderson v. Carlson, 812 F.2d 874, 878-79 (3d Cir. 1987)), but that, as a matter of good practice, a district court should "afford some level of review to dispositive legal issues raised by the report," Henderson, 812 F.2d at 878; see also Taylor v. Comm'r of Soc. Sec., 83 F. Supp. 3d 625, 626 (M.D. Pa. 2015) (citing Univac Dental Co. v. Dentsply Int'l, Inc., 702 F. Supp. 2d 465, 469 (M.D. Pa. 2010)), in order to "satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record," FED. R. CIV. P. 72(b), advisory committee notes, and, following an independent review of the record, the court being in agreement with Judge

Carlson that the decision of the administrative law judge is "supported by substantial evidence," 42 U.S.C. § 405(g); <u>Fargnoli v. Massanari</u>, 247 F.3d 34, 38 (3d Cir. 2001), and concluding that there is no clear error on the face of the record, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 1. The report (Doc. 12) of Magistrate Judge Carlson is ADOPTED.
- 2. The decision of the Commissioner of Social Security ("Commissioner") denying the application for disability insurance benefits and supplemental security income of Valentina Vernarda Layton ("Layton") is AFFIRMED.
- 3. The Clerk of Court shall enter judgment in favor of the Commissioner and against Layton as set forth in paragraph 2.
- 4. The Clerk of Court is directed to CLOSE this case.

/S/ CHRISTOPHER C. CONNER
Christopher C. Conner, Chief Judge
United States District Court
Middle District of Pennsylvania